



a
Springtime
with **Ninjas**★

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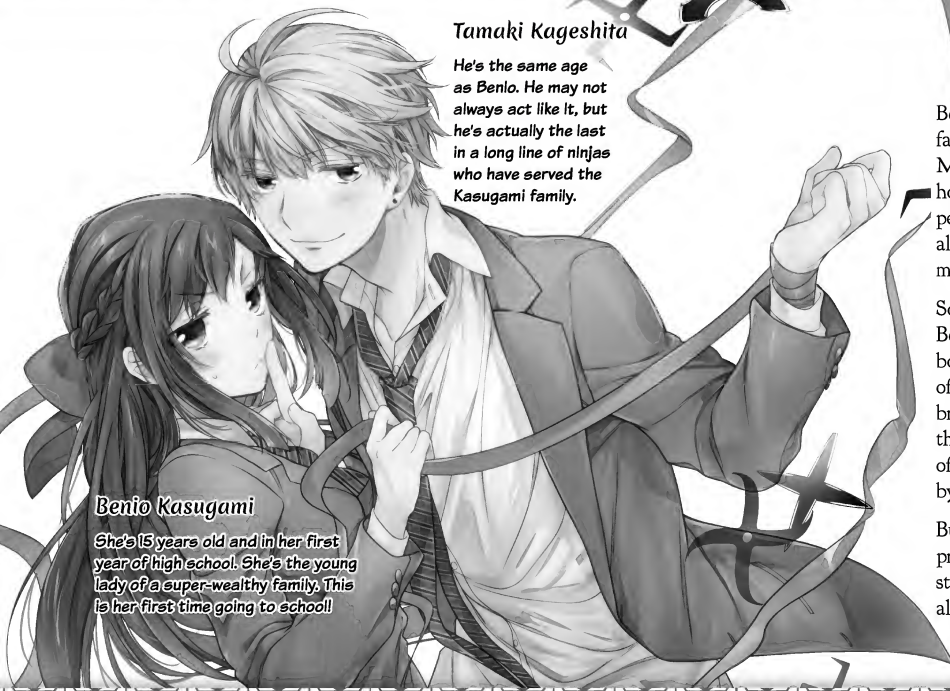
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Tamaki Kageshita

He's the same age as Benio. He may not always act like it, but he's actually the last in a long line of ninjas who have served the Kasugami family.

Benio Kasugami

She's 15 years old and in her first year of high school. She's the young lady of a super-wealthy family. This is her first time going to school!

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THE STORY SO FAR...

Benio is the sole heiress of the Kasugami family, whose wealth dates back to the Muromachi period. Because tradition holds that she must marry the first person who kisses her, she has not been allowed to leave the grounds of her mansion for fifteen years.

So that she can attend high school, Benio has been assigned Tamaki as a bodyguard. Although Tamaki is a bit of a player, he is also a ninja. Every day brings a new crisis as he has to fight off the people who seek to make the wealth of the Kasugami family their own simply by kissing Benio.

But that is just the beginning of their problems. It's not always easy for a strong-willed young lady and her smart-alecky ninja to get along...

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Narumi Hasegaki presents

Springtime
as a Ninja ✕





THERE'S
ONLY ONE
PROBLEM...

THERE'S
ONLY
A WEEK
LEFT UNTIL
VALENTINE'S
DAY.

I'M
BENIO
KASUGAMI.

TOO
BAD
THINGS
AREN'T
WORKING
OUT WITH
NAOTO,
HUH?

HOW
CAN I
BE LEFT
OUT OF
SUCH A
WONDERFUL
EVENT?

DON'T
GET
STARTED.
THAT'S
BETWEEN
HIM AND
BENIO.

Naoto is

taking a break from
school to work.

I DON'T
HAVE
ANYONE
TO GIVE
CHOCOLATES
TO!

well,
I THINK
NAOTO
MAY
STILL
LIKE
HER.

JUST
LEAVE
IT
ALONE.

I COULD
IF I FELT
LIKE
IT!

I MEAN,
YOU'VE
NEVER
EVEN
BOILED
YOUR
OWN
WATER.

RAN'S
RIGHT.

I THOUGHT
NAOTO WAS
MY FIRST
LOVE FROM
CHILDHOOD,
BUT HE JUST
TURNED
OUT TO BE
ANOTHER
GUY AFTER
MY FAMILY'S
WEALTH.

IT'S
FOR
THE
BEST.

BY
THE WAY,
I THINK
LIKE HALF
THE GIRLS
IN OUR
CLASS ARE
GOING TO
GIVE THEIR
CHOCOLATES
TO TAMAKI-
KUN.

I THINK
I'D
RATHER
TRY MY
LUCK
WITH
POISON
THAN
WITH
BENIO'S
BAKING.

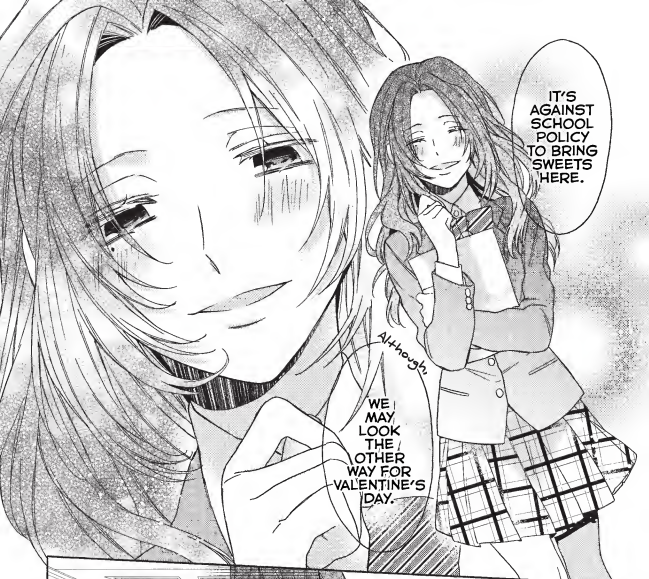
WHAT
WAS
THAT?!

OH!
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT
VALENTINE'S
DAY?

DO
YOU
REALLY
THINK THAT
PLAYER
COULD GO
STEADY
WITH
SOMEONE?

THERE'S
NO WAY
THAT WILL
HAPPEN,
MOMOE.

MAYBE
HE'LL
FINALLY
GET A
GIRLFRIEND.

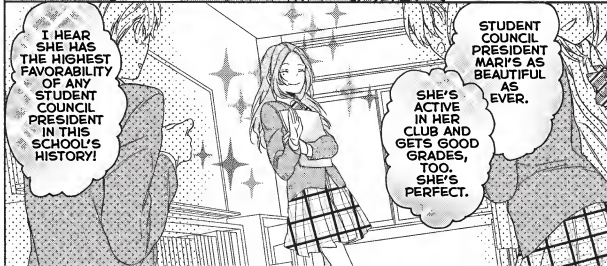


IT'S
AGAINST
SCHOOL
POLICY
TO BRING
SWEETS
HERE.

Although,
WE
MAY
LOOK
THE
OTHER
WAY FOR
VALENTINE'S
DAY.



...WOW!
SHE'S
GORGEOUS.



I HEAR
SHE HAS
THE HIGHEST
FAVORABILITY
OF ANY
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT
IN THIS
SCHOOL'S
HISTORY!

STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT
MARI'S AS
BEAUTIFUL
AS EVER.

SHE'S
ACTIVE
IN HER
CLUB AND
GETS GOOD
GRADES,
TOO.
SHE'S
PERFECT.

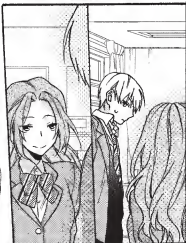


LONG
TIME
NO
SEE...

TAMAKI.

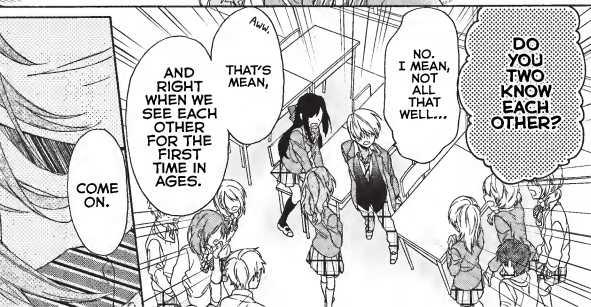


WOW,
SHE'S
LIKE A
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT
FROM A
MANGA!



SHE
KNOWS
TAMAKI?!

WHAT?



COME
ON.

AND
RIGHT
WHEN WE
SEE EACH
OTHER
FOR THE
FIRST
TIME IN
AGES.

THAT'S
MEAN,

Aww!

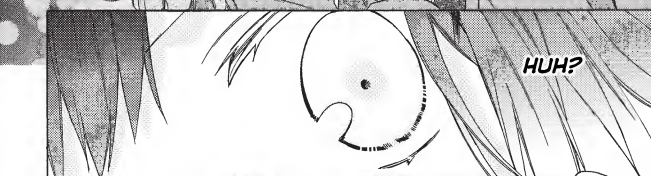
NO.
I MEAN,
NOT
ALL
THAT
WELL...

DO
YOU
TWO
KNOW
EACH
OTHER?



WE
KNEW
EACH
OTHER
WELL
ENOUGH
TO
KISS,

SO
WHY
DO
YOU
HAVE
TO
BE
SO
COLD?



HUH?



IS IT
TRUE,
TAMAKI?

TAMAKI
HAD...
A GIRL-
FRIEND?



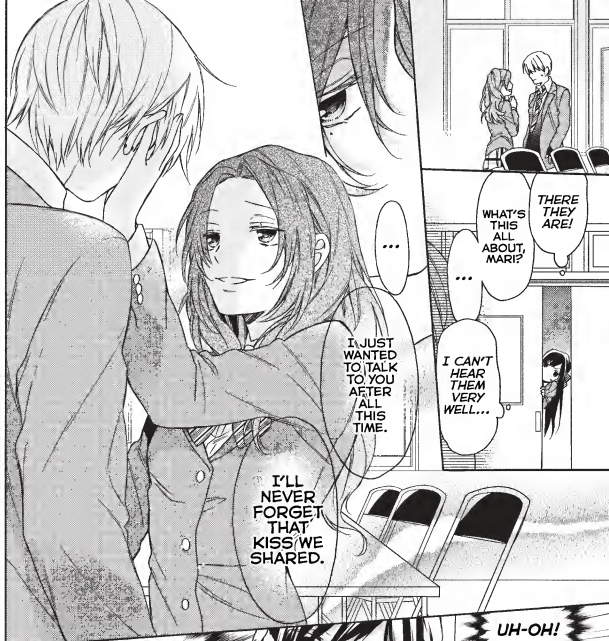
WHAAAT?



I GUESS
THEY
DO
SEEM
LIKE A
GOOD
MATCH.

SO
YOU
TWO
WERE
DATING?!







"THAT
KISS"

...

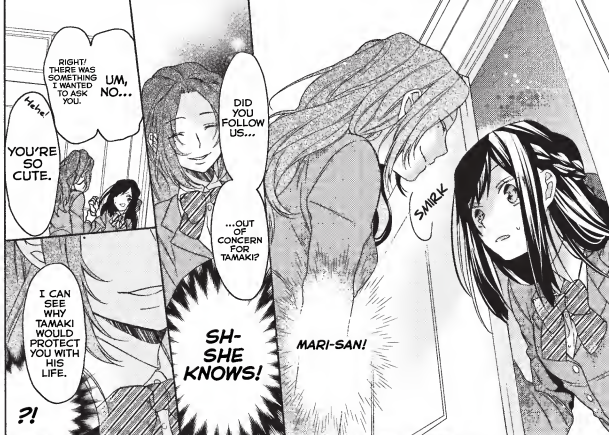
SO
IT
REALLY
IS
TRUE!

I'LL
NEVER
FORGET
IT,
EITHER,
IN ALL
MY
LIFE.

WE
COULD
TELL YOU
WERE
EAVES-
DROPPING.

タラ
タラ
GLITTER

OH,
THEY
LEFT.



RIGHT!
THERE WAS
SOMETHING
I WANTED
TO ASK
YOU.

UM,
NO...

Hehe!

YOU'RE
SO
CUTE.

DID YOU
FOLLOW
US...

...OUT
OF
CONCERN
FOR
TAMAKI?

SMIRK

I CAN
SEE
WHY
TAMAKI
WOULD
PROTECT
YOU WITH
HIS
LIFE.

**SH-
SHE
KNOWS!**

MARI-SAN!

?!

?



I AM...

...YOUR
NINJA.

HOW
DO YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
THAT?
WHO ARE
YOU?

IT'S
OKAY.

THERE'S
NO
NEED
TO BE
AFRAID.



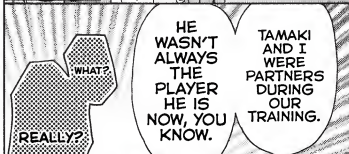
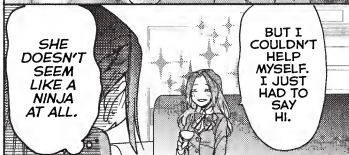
WHAAAT?

WHAT?

HANASHINO MINI - THEATER ①



It's a ninja's job to always have his master's back. 







ARE YOU
WORRIED
ABOUT
WHO
TAMAKI
LIKES?

EVEN
I DON'T
KNOW
HIM
WELL
ENOUGH
TO
SAY.

COULD
BE.

WHY
IS
THAT?



IF
YOU'RE
THAT
WORRIED
ABOUT
IT,

HAVE
THIS.

...I
HARDLY
KNOW
HIM AT
ALL.

...IF I
REALLY
THINK
ABOUT,
I
GUESS...

BECAUSE
HE'S
HIDING
IT FROM
ME.
AND
...

CERTAINLY
NOT AS
WELL
AS
MARI-
SAN...



IT'S A
TRUTH
SERUM.



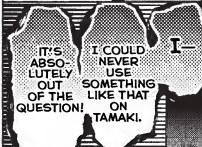
IT'S
JUST
FOR
YOU.



WHAT?!



WHAT
IS
IT?



IT'S
ABSO-
LUTELY
OUT
OF THE
QUESTION!

I COULD
NEVER
USE
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT
ON
TAMAKI.

I—



IT
WILL
EVEN
WORK
ON
NINJAS.
♥

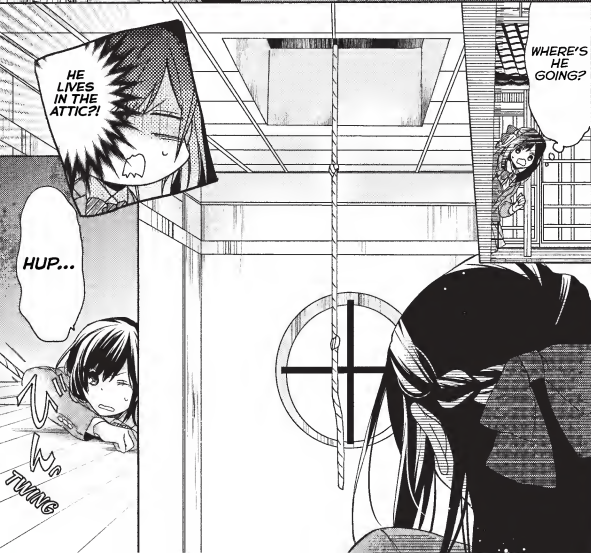
WHOEVER
DRINKS
IT WILL
TELL YOU
EXACTLY
WHAT
THEY
THINK.

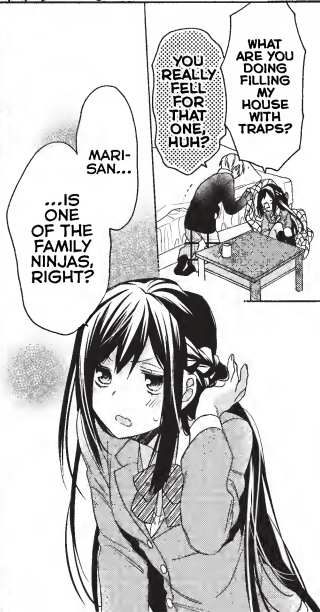


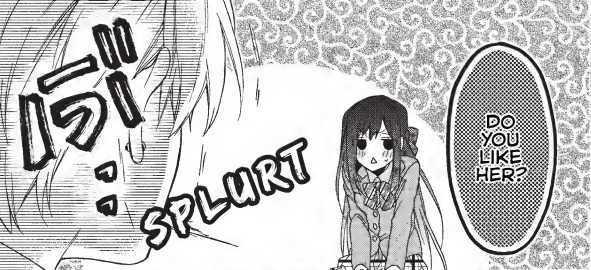
...YOU'LL
GO THE
REST
OF YOUR
LIFE
WITHOUT
KNOWING
THE
TRUTH.



IF
YOU DON'T
...











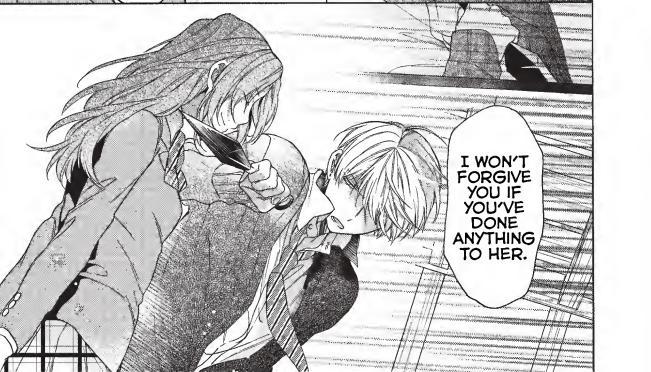
WHY
HAVE YOU
APPROACHED
BENIO ALL
OF A
SUDDEN?

BOOSH~
Kmmmm~!

...

HAVE
YOU'BEEN
LISTENING?

I WAS
WORRIED
ABOUT
YOUR
LOVELY
PRINCESS.



I WON'T
FORGIVE
YOU IF
YOU'VE
DONE
ANYTHING
TO HER.

POOR
TAMAKI.

YOU
SURE
ARE
COM-
MITTED.

...BUT
SHE
CAN'T
EVEN
REMEMBER
WHO YOU
ARE.

YOU'VE
CHANGED,
TRYING
TO BE
STRONG
FOR
THAT
GIRL...

IF
YOU
TELL
HER HOW
YOU FEEL,
YOUR
CONTRACT
WILL BE
OVER...

NGH

NGH

...BUT
YOU
REALLY
WANT TO
TELL HER
EVERYTHING,
DON'T
YOU?

I...

ハッ

GRASP

SWING

SLIDE







WELL, UM...

WHAT'S UP, BENIO? WHY ARE WE MEETING HERE?

THE RED BAG HAS NORMAL CHOCOLATES.

THE BLUE BAG HAS THE DRUGGED ONES.



HE'S HERE!



I JUST... MADE YOU SOME CHOCOLATES, TAMAKI.

NO...

...THAT'S NOT IT.



...



THAT WAS A JOKE.



HUH?!

I DON'T WANT THEM.



WITH
WHAT
YOU
SAID
AND
ALL,

I DIDN'T
THINK
YOU
WOULD
GIVE
ME
ANY.

THANK
YOU.



HERE!

LIKE I
THOUGHT
...

I HAVE
TO
GIVE
HIM
THE
RED
BAG.



HEY,

TAMAKI.

CLENCH

...IF
HE ONLY
TOLD ME
BECAUSE I
DRUGGED
HIM.

IT
WOULDN'T
MEAN
ANYTHING
...



...BUT
I JUST
HAVE TO
KNOW!

I KNOW
I'M BEING
STUBBORN
...

I WANT
TO KNOW
IF YOU'VE
LIKED
MARI-SAN
OR
ANYONE
ELSE...

...BECAUSE
...I WANT
TO KNOW
YOU
BETTER,
TAMAKI!



BYE!

NEVER
MIND.
YOU
CAN
TELL
ME
LATER!

I WENT
TOO
FAR!

?!



DO
YOU
REALLY
WANT
TO
KNOW?

HUH?

TMP



MARI'S
NOT
THE
ONE
I LIKE.

TAMAKI
...?

I'LL
TELL
YOU
EVERYTHING.

WHAT'S
GOING
ON?
DIDN'T
I
GIVE
HIM
THE
NORMAL
CHOCO-
LATES?

GRAB



DID
YOU
REALLY
...

...FORGET?

TA-
TAMAKI?



I
WON'T
...

...LET
YOU
GO
THIS
TIME.

LET
ME
GO!

SQUEEZE

I
WON'T
...

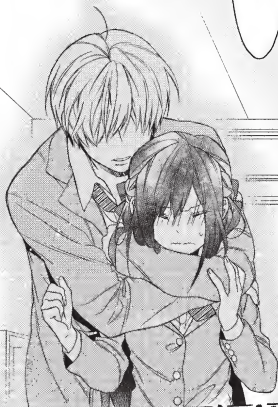


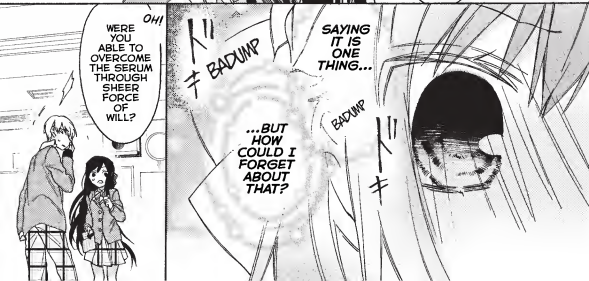
BADUMP

THE
ONE...

...I
LIKE
IS...

BADUMP





...WHO SWITCHED OUT BENIO'S NORMAL CHOCOLATES FOR THE DRUGGED ONES, WASN'T IT?

IT WAS YOU...

QUIT MESSING AROUND!

WHAT A SHAME. I WAS CURIOUS ABOUT WHO YOU LIKED, TOO, TAMAKI.

WHAT?

But how did she...

YES, IT WAS.

I MEAN, WASN'T IT SO MUCH MORE FUN THAT WAY?

THIS IS JUST HOW SHE IS...

...which is why I didn't want to let her near you.





MISS
PRESIDENT!

Well,
I DON'T KNOW IF
IT QUITE
MEASURES
UP...

HOW
DID YOU
LIKE MY
VALENTINE?

STAMP
?
STAMP
STAMP

...BUT
I'VE
GOT A
PRESENT
FOR
YOU, TOO,
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT-
SAMA.



WHAT?

I DRUGGED
THE
SCHOOL'S
WATER WITH
A LOVE
SERUM.



...I
LOVE
IT!

DO
YOU
LIKE
IT?

YES...



...WHO IT IS THAT I LIKE?

SO, DO YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW...

HUH?



...BUT I APPRECIATE IT, EVEN IF THEY WERE DRUGGED

YOU KNOW YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GIVE ME ANY CHOCOLATES...

WHAT A VALENTINE'S DAY...



...



IT'S A SECRET.

DON'T YOU THINK THE MYSTERY JUST ADDS TO MY CHARM?



HAHAHA!

IT'S NOT LIKE I CARE ANY MORE



THE
CHOCO-
LATES
WERE
DELICIOUS.

ぽん
PAT

?



I FORBID
YOU TO
FACE ME
RIGHT
NOW!

WHAT?

I CAN'T
LET
HIM
PULL
MY
STRINGS
LIKE
THIS!

THIS
REALLY
HAS BEEN
A CRAZY
VALENTINE'S
DAY.





LEAF 5 ✕ **THE LADY AND THE NINJA'S GAME OF TAG**



WHEN HE
DISAP-
PEARED,
I MISSED
HIM SO
MUCH
THAT
I WROTE
HIM
LETTERS.

THERE
USED TO
BE THIS
BOY I
LIKED,
WHOSE
NAME I
CAN'T EVEN
REMEMBER.

...BUT
THAT
DIDN'T
STOP ME
FROM
PUTTING
THEM IN MY
FAMILY'S
MAILBOX.

I HAD
NO IDEA
WHERE
TO
ADDRESS
THEM
TO...

...AND
I FOUND
FLOWERS,
AS
THOUGH
IN REPLY.

ONE
DAY, I
CHECKED
THE
MAIL...

MAYBE
HE REALLY
WAS READING
MY LETTERS.



WHAT'S
THE
DEAL?

Hey,
BENIO.

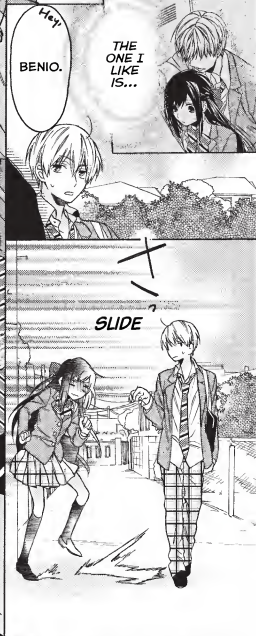
THE
ONE I
LIKE
IS...

SEVERAL
DAYS
AFTER
VALENTINE'S
DAY

THIS IS
BECOMING
A
PROBLEM.

I-IT'S
NOTHING!

SLIDE













TAMAKI?

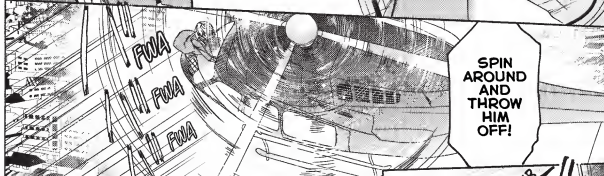
DID HE
GET
ON
TOP
OF THE
HELI-
COPTER?

HOW
THE
HELL...



WILL
YOU
GIVE
BENIO
BACK?

WE
REALLY
NEED
TO BE
GETTING
TO
SCHOOL.



SPIN
AROUND
AND
THROW
HIM
OFF!



WE'VE
THROWN
HIM
OFF.

EEEEK!

STOP
IT!



?!



STAGGER

!



AHHHH!

BUT ...

...HOW
COULD
YOU...?

TAMAKI!



YOU
SHOULDN'T
UNDERES-
TIMATE A
NINJA.
I TAKE
IT YOU'RE
LOOKING
TO KISS
BENIO.

...



NO.



CLATTER

IF
YOU
WON'T
GIVE
HER
BACK...

...I'M
GOING
TO HAVE
TO USE
FORCE.



NOW,
YOU'RE
THE ONE I
WANT.

NOT
ANYMORE.



What
was
that?

I like
my
women
a
little
sexier.

BUT
YOU'RE
REALLY
NOT
MY
TYPE.

I HEARD
RUMORS
ABOUT
HOW
BEAUTIFUL
YOU
WERE,
BENIO,

WHAAT?

I'VE
BEEN
LOOKING
FOR A
BODY-
GUARD,
THOUGH.

I'LL
PAY
YOU TEN
BILLION
YEN*.
WHAT DO
YOU
SAY?

I'VE
NEVER
SEEN
SOMEONE
LIKE THIS
GUY
BEFORE.

HANASHINO MINI-THEATER ②



Mari has always been Mari...
(It turns out they didn't kiss.)





GRR...

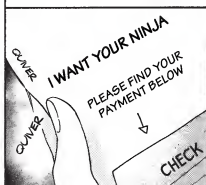
I KNEW
THAT
WASN'T
THE REAL
TAMAKI!!



STARE
すい

WHAT'LL
YOU
DO IF
I AM?

DON'T
YOU
WANT
TO BE
RID OF
ME?



OWNER
OWNER

I WANT YOUR NINJA

PLEASE FIND YOUR
PAYMENT BELOW

CHECK



I GUESS
IT WOULD
HURT MY
REPUTATION
IF I
CHICKENED
OUT OF A
FIGHT.

THAT'S
RIGHT...

A fight?



18-
year-old
genius
CEO

Typically
resides
in the US.

Investments
in everything
from
security
systems
to arms
manufacturing



YOU'VE
RECEIVED AN
INVITATION
TO A PARTY
FROM THAT
KIRINOMORI
FELLOW.

UNCLE!

HIS
NET
WORTH IS
GREATER
THAN THE
KASUGAMI
FAMILY'S.
WE CAN'T
IGNORE HIS
INVITATION.

KIRINOMORI
IS THE
RICHEST
JAPANESE
EXPAT
IN THE
WEST.



SO
THIS IS
WHAT A
PARTY'S
LIKE!

I'VE
NEVER
BEEN
TO ONE
BEFORE.

HE'LL
KNOW
BETTER
THAN TO
STICK
HIS NOSE
WHERE IT
DOESN'T
BELONG...

...ONCE
I'VE
GIVEN
HIM A
PIECE
OF MY
MIND!

IN
GRATITUDE,
I HAVE
PREPARED
A SPECIAL
EVENT
FOR YOU
ALL.

WHERE IS
KIRINOMORI,
ANYWAY?

LADIES
AND
GENTLEMEN!

THANK
YOU FOR
COMING TO
MY PARTY IN
CELEBRATION
OF MY BRIEF
RETURN TO
JAPAN.

KIRINO-
MORI!

THE ALL-ATTENDEE GREAT TAG TOURNAMENT

...A
REAL,
LIVE
JAPANESE
NINJA!

IT'S
CALLED
THE
ALL-
ATTENDEE
GREAT TAG
TOURNAMENT!

THE
WINNER'S
WONDERFUL
PRIZE WILL
BE...

WHAT?!

IF
YOU
THINK
YOU'RE
FIT TO
BE HIS
MASTER,
THEN
PROVE
IT.

OR
DO
YOU
THINK
YOU
CAN'T?

IT'S A
WASTE
TO JUST
LEAVE HIM
BABYSITTING
SOME
CHILD.

HEY,
WHAT'S
THE
BIG
IDEA?

I'M
TAMAKI'S
MASTER!

WHY
YOU-





?!

GRAB

**TAMAKI'S
SECRET?!**



...
SORRY, BENIO...

IF
YOU WIN,
YOU CAN
FIND OUT.



WHERE—
HOW
DID YOU...?

WAIT!
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN:
TAMAKI'S
SECRET?



GO!

READY
...

Huh?
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?



TAMAKI!!

...I
ABSOLUTELY
CANNOT
LET
MYSELF
GET
TAGGED.





YOU
STILL
HAVEN'T
FOUND
HIM?

WE'VE
GOT
OUR
PEOPLE
ON EVERY
FLOOR
OF THE
BUILDING.

SPREAD
OUT
AND
FIND
HIM!

WHAT
DOES HE
MEAN HE
CAN'T LET
HIMSELF
GET
TAGGED?

I'D
LIKE
TO KNOW
WHAT'S
IN THAT
ENVELOPE!

HE'S
SERIOUSLY
RUNNING
AWAY
FROM
ME?



I just can't
find him.

THERE'S
NO WAY
I CAN WIN
WITHOUT
TAMAKI'S
HELP!



WOW,
YOU'RE
REALLY
INTO
THIS—

LET
ME...

...TAG
YOU!

GLOMP

I
FOUND
YOU!

...SHITA!

...KAGE

TAMAKI

After an hour

ACK!

WAIT.

IS
THAT...

Gaaah!

WE
GOT
THE
USELESS
ONE.

Oh
well...

WHAT
THE
HELL?!

Ajam?

Oh, ho, ho!

SO
THE
OTHER
GUESTS
ARE ALL
ON YOUR
SIDE
THEN?

IT'S
NOT
LIKE
YOU CAN
RUN AWAY
FROM
THIS
MANY
PEOPLE.

BANG

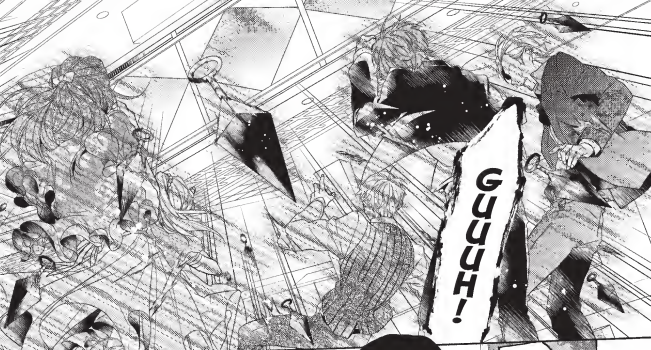
BANG

FIRE!

E E E E K!

Whoa...

THAT
WAS
CLOSE.



HE
GOT
AWAY!

DAMN
IT!



DON'T
WORRY,
YOU'RE
STILL
NOT
OUT...

EEP!

SINCE
I'M
THE ONE
TAGGING
YOU.

TAMAKI!

CATCH



WHAT
ARE
YOU
GOING
TO DO
IF WE
LOSE?

IN
OTHER
WORDS,
THE
SECRET IS
SOMETHING
YOU
REALLY
DON'T
WANT
ME TO
KNOW.



TMP

WHY
DID YOU
RUN
AWAY
FROM
ME?

WHY?!

KIRINO-
MORI'S
PROVING
HARDER
TO BEAT
THAN I
THOUGHT.

I'VE
GOT TO
GET
THAT
ENVELOPE
FROM
HIM.



I'LL
HAND
MYSELF
RIGHT
OVER.

WHAT?



IF
THAT'S
HOW
IT IS...

QUIVER
QUIVER

NOW,
SO THAT
DOESN'T
HAPPEN,
LET'S-

Or something.



I WILL
NOW BE
FILLING
FLOORS
ONE
THROUGH
NINETY-NINE
OF THIS
HOTEL
WITH
POISON
GAS.



TAMAKI
DOESN'T
EVEN CARE
IF WE'RE
SEPARATED.



BENIO?



...THEN
JUST
GO
AHEAD
AND
DO IT
NOW!



I GUESS
I ALREADY
KNEW...

...THAT
THIS WAS
JUST A
JOB TO
HIM.

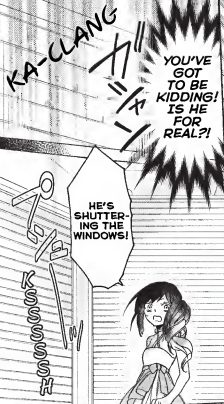


!

I HAVE
AN
ANNOUNCE-
MENT FOR
THE NINJA
IN THE
BUILDING.

D
I
N
G
D
O
N
G

WHY
AM I SO
SHOCKED?



THUMP

...THAT
TAMAKI
WOULD
ALWAYS
SHOW
UP TO
RESCUE
ME.

KIRINO-
MORI?!

IT'S
HARD TO
BELIEVE
I STILL
HAVEN'T
GOTTEN
HIM.
SO MUCH
FOR
THAT
BOND
OF
YOURS,
THOUGH.

KERCHICK

NGH
...

YOU'RE
AWAKE.

THERE'S
NO SUCH
THING AS AN
UNBREAKABLE
BOND.

EVERYONE
HAS A
PRICE.

GULP



I'D
LIKE TO
SEE...

...WHETHER
OR NOT
THAT
NINJA
COMES
TO YOUR
RESCUE.

WOULD
YOU BET
YOUR LIFE
ON THAT
FAITH OF
YOURS?

YOU
SURE
ARE A
STRONG-
WILLED
WOMAN.



SHUDDER



TAMAKI...!



BUT
...

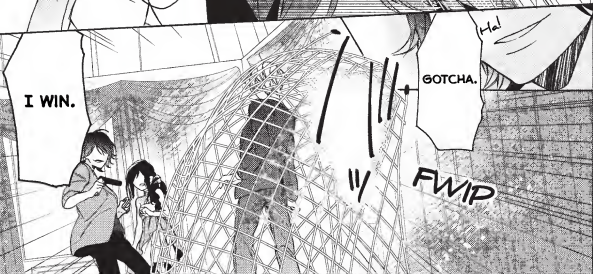
HE
MAY BE
KEEPING
A
SECRET
FROM
ME,



...I
HAVE
FAITH
IN
TAMAKI.



GET
AWAY
FROM
BENIO.

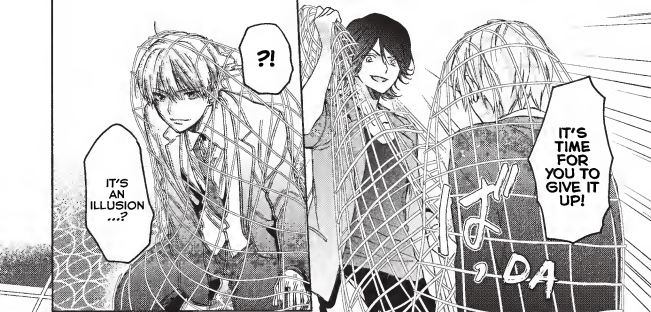


I WIN.

GOTCHA.

FWIP

Hal







...BECAUSE
TAMAKI
HAS TO
STAY
WITHIN
FIVE
METERS
OF ME
AT ALL
TIMES.



NO...

...TAMAKI
IS IN
THIS
ROOM
WITH
US.



Ha!

HOW
WOULD
YOU
KNOW?



GRAB

I
KNOW
...



WHA—



I DON'T
CARE
HOW
MUCH
MONEY
YOU
HAVE.

I'M
NOT
HANDING
OVER
TAMAKI!



I
GUESSED.

There
was
nothing
else
within
five
meters
of me.

HOW
DID YOU
KNOW
I WAS
BEHIND
THE
CURTAIN?

TAMAKI'S...

...SECRET...

HERE'S
YOUR
NINJA'S
SECRET.

TCH.
HOW
COULD I
LOSE TO
YOU?

OH
WELL,
THE
RULES
ARE THE
RULES.

I
DON'T
WANT
IT.

IF
TAMAKI
DOESN'T
WANT ME
TO KNOW,
THEN I
DON'T
NEED
TO.

UGH,
WHAT A
BORE.

...





RUSTLE

HEH

THAT'S MY LINE!

I THOUGHT WE WERE GONERS.

BUT...
THAT BENIO KASUGAMI GIRL
TURNED OUT TO BE PRETTY
INTERESTING AFTER ALL.



WHY WOULD YOU THROW YOURSELF OFF A BUILDING OVER SOME STUPID ENVELOPE?

...YOU WERE GETTING SO WORKED UP OVER IT.
I THOUGHT IT MUST BE IMPORTANT.

I MEAN ...

SHOVE



IT'S
SOMETHING
VERY
IMPORTANT
THAT I
FOUND...

To Tamaki
From Benio

YEAH
...

...AT
YOUR
MANSION
WHEN I
WANTED
TO SEE
YOU
AGAIN.

THANK
YOU.

"Dear Tamaki,

I miss you.

Benio"



WELL,

LET'S
GET
HEADED
HOME.

CLENCH

LET-

LET
ME
GO!

I CAN
WALK
JUST
FINE!

THERE
YOU GO
ACTING
ALL
TOUGH
AGAIN.

HUP.

?!
!

THAT'S
WHAT YOU
GET FOR
RUNNING
AROUND IN
HEELS.

YOU'VE
GOT CUTS
ON THE
BACKS OF
YOUR
ANKLES.

Anyway
YOU'RE
MY
MASTER,
BENIO...

I GUESS
YOU WERE
REALLY
DESPERATE
TO FIND
ME.



I GUESS
YOU'RE
RIGHT...



...SO
JUST
COOL
IT AND
LET ME
TAKE
CARE
OF
YOU.



CLENCH



...BUT
ONLY
THIS
ONCE!
GOT
IT?

YES,
MA'AM.



LEAF 6 X THE FATEFUL KISS OF THE PRINCESS AND THE PRINCE





REALLY?

KASUGAMI-SAN DOES SEEM PERFECT FOR THE PART.

OH!!

I'd like to see Benio in a dress!

THEN I WANT TO MAKE THE COSTUMES!

Y'KNOW, I THINK YOU'D MAKE A GOOD SLEEPING BEAUTY, BENIO.

I've dreamed of this opportunity!

I JUST ABSOLUTELY, 100% HAVE TO BE IN THE PLAY!

I DON'T CARE IF I'M THE WITCH. I DON'T CARE IF I'M A TREE. I DON'T CARE WHO I PLAY!



HOW RUDE! YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT I'VE BEEN PREPARING FOR THIS ROLE MY ENTIRE LIFE!

Picture Book



IF BENIO'S GOING TO BE THE PRINCESS,

THEN I'LL BE THE PRINCE.

I DON'T GET THE FEELING BENIO WOULD BE A VERY GOOD ACTRESS.

ARE YOU SURE?





YO.



?!

WH-WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING
HERE?

KI-
KIRINOMORI?!

CLATTER

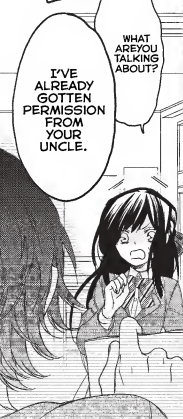


HE'S
THE NEW
TRANSFER
STUDENT,
KIRINOMORI-
KUN.

THE
NEW
TRANSFER
STUDENT?

HE'S
ALREADY
GRADUATED
FROM
HARVARD,

BUT
APPARENTLY
HE
WANTED TO
COME TO
SCHOOL
HERE,
ANYWAY.



THE LITTLE LADY
OF THE FAMOUS KASUGAMI
MICHIRU KIRINOMORI, AND
THE YOUNG CEO
OF KIRINOMORI ZAIBATSU

ENGAGED!

COULD THIS
BE THE BIRTH OF
A NEW POWER COUPLE?

Benio Kasugami (18)

Michiru

SLEEPING BEAUTY
PRINCESS BENIO KASUGAMI
PRINCE MICHIRU KIRINOMORI
WEDDING

YOU
REALLY
ARE
PERFECT
FOR THE
ROLE.

Wait!
WHAT
DO YOU
THINK
YOU'RE
WRITING
ON THAT
BOARD?!

WHAT
THE
HELL IS
THIS?!

YOUR
LIPS
BELONG
TO ME
NOW.

I'VE
TAKEN A
LIKING
TO YOU.

BENIO
KASUGAMI,



UNCLE!
WHAT'S
THIS
ENGAGEMENT
ALL
ABOUT?

WHAAAT?!

You
see,
KIRINOMORI-
KUN MADE
THE OFFER
HIMSELF.



IT WAS
REALLY
A GREAT
IDEA.
Now,
you're
safe,
Benjo.



BUT I
THOUGHT
IF YOU
WERE
ALREADY
ENGAGED,
FEWER GUYS
MIGHT TRY
TO KISS
YOU.

I WAS
WORRIED
ABOUT
YOU,



I DON'T
WANT TO
MARRY A
GUY LIKE
THIS!

I DON'T
EVEN
MIND IF
SHE'S
NOT THAT
SEXY.

WHEN
SHE FELL
FROM THE
HUNDREDTH
FLOOR THE
OTHER
DAY,

I WAS
REALLY
WORRIED.



They're getting
along already.

COME
ON,
TAMAKI!!
BACK
ME UP
HERE!

...GOT
ANYTHING
TO SAY?

YEAH,
NINJA-
KUN...

IF YOUR
UNCLE'S
MADE
THE
DECISION
ALREADY,
I CAN
ONLY
AGREE.

SLINK
...
HUH?

CONGRAT-
ULATIONS,
BENIO!



WHAT-
EVER...

...STUPID
TAMAKI!!

WHY...

...WON'T
HE STOP
THEM?

WH-

WHAT
THE
HELL?!



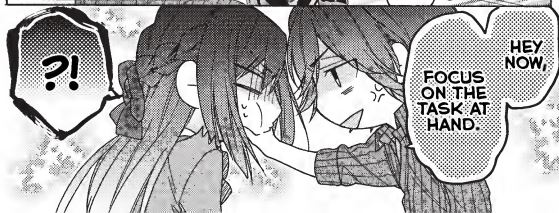
Okay, let's take it
from scene 15.

BLINK

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH
HIM?

...BUT
I CAN'T
BELIEVE
TAMAKI!

THIS
STUPID
ENGAGEMENT
IS ONE
THING...





WHAT
THE
HELL?!

?!


WHAT'S
THE
MATTER?
WE ARE
ENGAGED,
AFTER
ALL.

WHEN
THE
PLAY
GOES
LIVE,

I'M
GOING TO
KISS YOU
ACCORDING
TO SCRIPT.



HMMM...

TH-

THERE'S
NO WAY
I'M
GOING TO
LET
YOU
KISS
ME!

I HAVE
TAMAKI
TO
PROTECT
ME, YOU
KNOW.



DO
YOU
REALLY
THINK
HE'LL
COME
TO YOUR
RESCUE?



IF I
RECALL,
THAT NINJA
DIDN'T
SEEM TO
HAVE A
PROBLEM
WITH OUR
MARRIAGE.

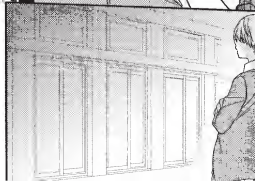
gulp



I—
MEAN—

...YOUR
LIPS
WILL
BE
MINE.

EITHER
WAY...





THAT
I'VE EVER
GOING TO
LET HIM
KISS
ME!

THERE IS
ABSOLUTELY
NO WAY...



YOU'RE
NOT
VERY
GOOD
AT
THIS,
BENIO.
PUT
SOME
FEELING
INTO IT!

I—
I MEAN,
IT'S
A LOT
HARDER
WITHOUT
ANYONE
PLAYING
THE PRINCE.

PSH
SH
OH, MY
PRINCE...
THANK
YOU...
FOR
SAVING
ME.

NOW, NOW.
WEREN'T
YOU
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO BEING
IN A
PLAY,
BENIO?
LET
ME
WATCH
YOU
PRACTICE.



THUMP

LOOKS
LIKE I
HAVE NO
CHOICE
THEN.



"...I'VE
FINALLY
FOUND
YOU."

"OH,
PRINCESS
WHO HAS
SLEPT
FOR 100
YEARS..."

WH-
WHAT'S
GOING
ON...

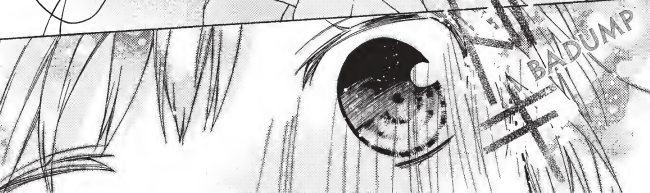
BADUMP



HEH ...WITH
MY
HEART?

BENIO...

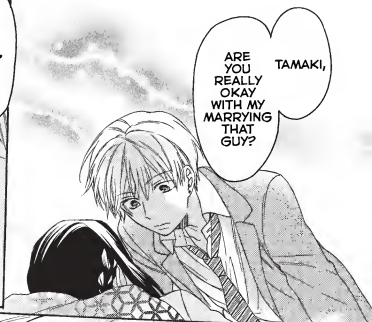
...YOU'RE
SUPPOSED
TO KEEP
YOUR EYES
CLOSED
UNTIL THE
PRINCE
KISSES
YOU.



BADUMP



WHY...
...DOESN'T
HE SAY
ANYTHING?



IF
I KISS
YOU,
WE'LL
HAVE
TO GET
MARRIED.

...WHAT
THAT
WOULD
MEAN,
RIGHT?

YOU
DO
KNOW
...

...

SQUEAK

REACH

CLENCH

BADUMP

BADUMP

SHOCHU

I WILL
KISS YOU
ANYWHERE
YOU WANT,
MY LADY.

IF
YOU
ORDER
IT,

...FOR
YOUR
LIPS.

EXCEPT...

SHOCHU
HUH?

W-
WAIT!

TAMAKI?!



WHEN
THE PLAY
GOES LIVE
TOMORROW
...

TO
ANSWER
YOUR
QUESTION,

YOU
WILL
BE SAFE
IF YOU
MARRY
HIM.

...I
WON'T
STOP
HIM.



THAT
WOULD
BE FOR
THE BEST.

AWW,

I WANTED
TO SEE YOU
STEAL A
KISS.

GO
ON
STOP

Well,
I GUESS
IT IS HARD
TO FIND
SOMEONE
BETTER
THAN A
WEALTHY
GENIUS.

DO
YOU PLAN
ON JUST
HANDING
THE
PRINCESS
OVER?

MARI.

YOU'RE
THE ONE
WHO SOLD
ME OUT TO
KIRINOMORI,
AREN'T
YOU?

CUT
IT OUT
ALREADY.

It seemed
like such an
interesting
offer. I just
couldn't
resist. ♡

HE GOT
IN TOUCH
WITH ME AND
WANTED TO
KNOW YOUR
WEAKNESSES.

OH, YOU
MEAN
THAT
GAME
OF
TAG?

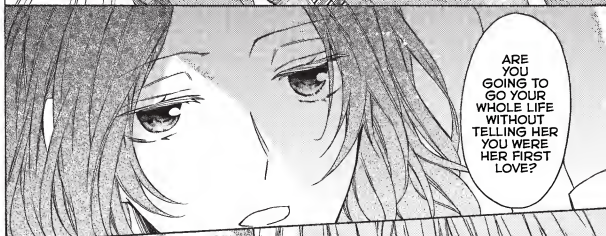
I HAVE
ONE
MORE
RIGHT
HERE.

I STOLE
THE
LETTERS
FROM
YOUR
ROOM
AND GAVE
ONE TO
HIM.



MAYBE
I SHOULD
GIVE IT TO
BENIO-
SAMA.

ARE
YOU
TRYING
TO GET
YOURSELF
KILLED?



ARE
YOU
GOING TO
GO YOUR
WHOLE LIFE
WITHOUT
TELLING HER
YOU WERE
HER FIRST
LOVE?



I KNOW
SHE'S THE
ONLY ONE
WHO CAN
CAUSE YOU
TO MAKE A
FACE LIKE
THAT.

When Benio was kidnapped in a helicopter

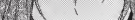
When Benio fell from a building

ボス CRASH!!

GRAPPLING HOOK

I MEAN, I'M THE AMAZING ONE.

I DIDN'T KNOW HOW AMAZING THIS THING WAS!



I DON'T PLAN ON EVER TELLING HER.







DOES
HE NOT
EVEN
CARE
ABOUT ME
ANYMORE?

Huh?

IT'S
TOO
LATE TO
BACK
OUT NOW.

JUST
STAY
STILL
AND LET
ME KISS
YOU.

...HOW
CAN HE
ACT LIKE
EVERYTHING'S
FINE?

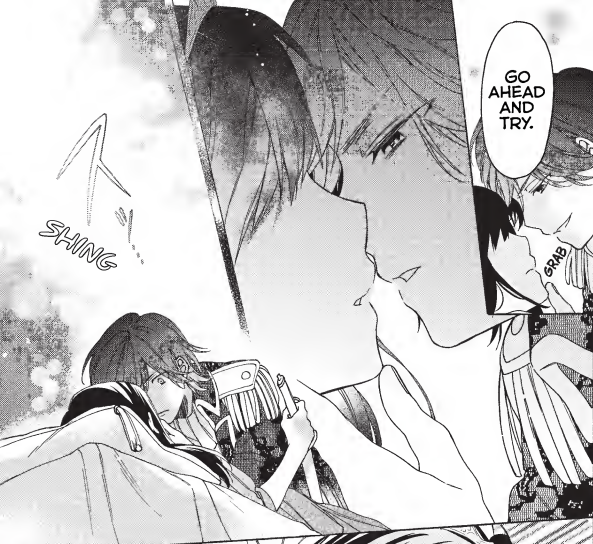
DON'T...

IS HE
NOT...

...GOING
TO COME
TO MY
RESCUE?

IF
YOU
KISS
ME,

I'LL
KILL
MYSELF.





wow



Sigh,

WHAT
A CRAZY
PRINCESS.



I KEEP
WANTING
YOU
MORE
AND
MORE.



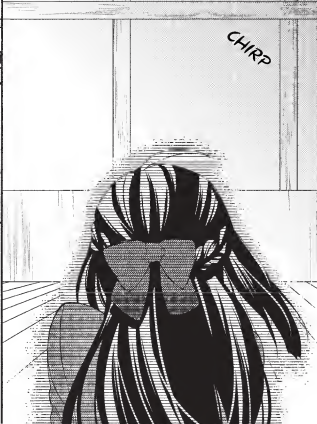
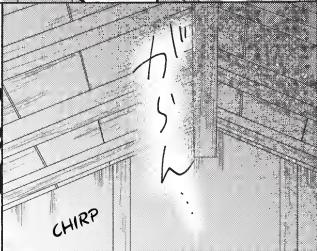
THIS IS
HUMILIATING.

SMOOCH
...



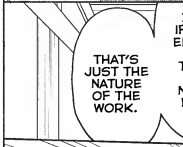
SHUDDER



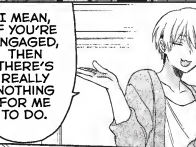




...I'M
QUITTING
THIS
NINJA
GIG.



THAT'S
JUST THE
NATURE
OF THE
WORK.



I MEAN,
IF YOU'RE
ENGAGED,
THEN
THERE'S
REALLY
NOTHING
FOR ME
TO DO.



WHAT?!



I'M
NOT
GOING
TO LET
YOU
LEAVE
ME.



CLENCH

THERE'S
...

...THERE'S
NO WAY
I'M GOING
TO ALLOW
THAT!

IT
DOESN'T
SEEM LIKE
YOU TO
SAY THAT
KIND OF
THING,
ANYWAY.

I'D
REALLY
LIKE TO
HAVE
MORE TIME
TO HANG
OUT WITH
GIRLS,
Y'KNOW?

BESIDES,
MY HEART'S
NOT REALLY
IN SOME
OUT-OF-
DATE
JOB LIKE
BEING A
NINJA.

YOU
CAN'T
GIVE ME
ORDERS
ANYMORE.



I MEAN,
YOU
DON'T
HAPPEN
TO LIKE
ME, DO
YOU?





SHOVE

IN YOUR
DREAMS!



BLUSH!



I SEE.

GAASP



THAT'S
A RELIEF.

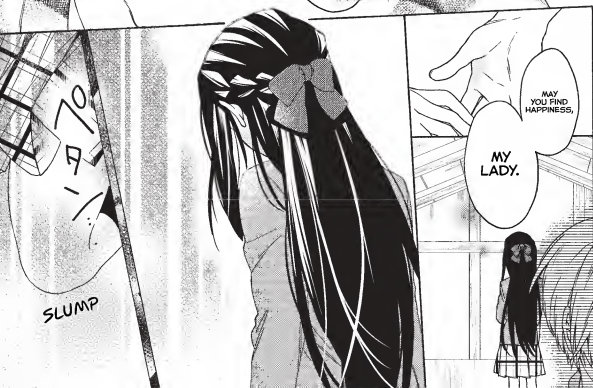


REACH...



OUR
TIME
TOGETHER
...

...WAS
A LOT
OF FUN,
BENIO.



SLUMP

MAY
YOU FIND
HAPPINESS,

MY
LADY.



I GUESS
SHE
REALLY
WAS
NOTHING
MORE THAN
YOUR BOSS
TO YOU,
HUH?

YOU'RE
GOING
MORE
EASILY
THAN I
THOUGHT
YOU
WOULD.

...



THAT
GUY IS
CRAZY.

WHY...

TAMAKI...

...DIDN'T
I REALIZE
SOONER?

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
I DIDN'T
REALIZE
UNTIL I
LOST
YOU.

TAMAKI...

...DON'T
GO...







LEAF 7 ✕ THE LADY, THE NINJA, AND THE KISS



...WHAT
WAS THE
PROMISE
WE
MADE?

THAT
DAY...

I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
SUPPOSED
TO DO
THAT ON
THE
LIPS.

I said in a picture book.

SMOOCH

YOU
DO IT
ON THE
LIPS AT
YOUR
WEDDING.

...WHERE
COULD
YOU
BE?

NOW...



I HAVEN'T
BEEN
ABLE
TO FIND
TAMAKI!...

...FOR
THREE
DAYS
NOW.

I'M
GOING
TO LOOK
FOR
TAMAKI!

BENIO-
SAMA,
YOU
CAN'T!

LET!
ME!!
GO!!!

U
R
R
R
H

YOU
CAN'T
GIVE ME
ORDERS
ANYMORE.

I'M
QUITTING
THIS
NINJA
GIG.

UNCLE!

...BUT
I HATE
THE WAY
THINGS
ARE
NOW!

MAY
YOU FIND
HAPPINESS,
MY LADY.

THAT'S
WHAT
TAMAKI
SAID
AS HE
LEFT...

I SWEAR
I DON'T
KNOW!

YOU
KNOW
WHERE
TAMAKI
IS,
DON'T
YOU?

BENIO...

I CAN'T
STAND
NOT
BEING
ABLE TO
SEE
HIM!

...YOU
HAVEN'T
REMEMBERED
ANYTHING,
HAVE
YOU?

...

HUH?

OF
COURSE
NOT

I JUST
DIDN'T
EXPECT
YOU,
OF ALL
PEOPLE,
TO BE SO
CONCERNED
ABOUT
TAMAKI.

TWITCH

YOU'RE
HIDING
SOMETHING
FROM ME,
AREN'T
YOU,
UNCLE?

CLARE

NEVER
MIND!
FORGET
I SAID
ANYTHING!

I DON'T
THINK I
NEED TO
REMIN
YOU...

...THAT
LOVE WITH
A NINJA IS
STRICTLY
FORBIDDEN.

KIRINOMORI!!

DON'T
TELL ME
YOU STILL
THINK HE'S
GOING TO
COME
BACK?

HE
LEFT
OF HIS
OWN WILL,
REMEMBER?

...WILL
HOLD
A PRESS
CONFERENCE
ON HIS
MARRIAGE
TOMORROW,
RIGHT HERE
AT THIS
CHURCH.

THE CEO
OF THE
JAPANESE
MULTINATIONAL
KIRINOMORI
ZAIBATSU,
MR. MICHIRU
KIRINOMORI...

I'VE
ALREADY
TOLD YOU
THAT
I'M NOT
GOING TO
MARRY—

YOU
SHOULD
JUST
HURRY IT
UP AND
MARRY
ME.

DO
YOU
THINK
YOU
HAVE A
CHOICE?

CHECK
OUT
THE
NEWS.

THIS
COULD
BE THE
BIRTH OF
A GREAT
NEW
POWER
COUPLE.

HIS
BRIDE
WILL BE
THE ONLY
DAUGHTER OF
THE KASUGAMI
FAMILY,
FAMOUS FOR
HAVING THE
GREATEST
NET WORTH
IN ALL OF
JAPAN.

THERE'S
NO NEED
TO
GET SO
EXCITED.

I'M
ANGRY!

AR-
ARE
YOU
SERIOUS?!



DOES
THIS GUY
SERIOUSLY
THINK I'M
GOING TO
MARRY
HIM?

I'LL
TAKE
BENIO
TO THE
KIRINOMORI
RESIDENCE
TO GET
READY
FOR
TOMORROW.

Well,
MY
LORD,

Well,
what?
I
DON'T
WANT
TO
GO!

Have
a good
time.



WELCOME,
MY LADY.

おはよう
IN UNISON
さん

WELCOME
HOME,
MASTER.



YOU
THINK?

THIS
MANSION
IS
AMAZING...

YEAH,
YEAH.
HI,
EVERYONE.

おはよう
BWA



HERE'S
YOUR
ROOM.

HUH?
WH-
WHAT'S
ALL
THIS
FOR?

IT'S A
PRESENT.

FROM
NOW
ON, I'LL
GET YOU
ANYTHING
YOU
WANT.

I'LL
TAKE YOU
ANYWHERE
YOU WANT
TO GO.

YOU'VE
BEEN
RESTRICTED
TO YOUR
FAMILY'S
PROPERTY
YOUR
WHOLE
LIFE,
RIGHT?

REACH
=



WHY
DON'T
YOU TRY
COM-
PLAINING
LESS...

...AND
TAKE
A LOOK
AT THE
REAL
ME?

DO
YOU
THINK
I'D DO
ALL THIS
FOR A
WOMAN
I DON'T
CARE
ABOUT?

SIGH
YOU
STILL
DON'T
TRUST
ME,
HUH?

WHY
WOULD
YOU
GO TO
ALL THIS
TROUBLE?



SMOOCH

I'M
GOING
TO TAKE
VERY
GOOD
CARE
OF
YOU.

TAMAKI...

JUST
RELAX
HERE UNTIL
TOMORROW.

I'M
GOING
TO MAKE
YOU THE
HAPPIEST
BRIDE
IN THE
WORLD.

...AM
I EVER
GOING
TO SEE
YOU
AGAIN?



AM I
JUST...

...GOING
TO HAVE
TO GET
MARRIED?

NO...



GET
YOUR
BUTT
HERE
NOW!



TAMAKI!
YOUR
MASTER
IS IN
TROUBLE!



YOU
IDIOT...

DIDN'T
YOU
PROMISE
...

...YOU
WOULDN'T
GO MORE
THAN FIVE
METERS
FROM
ME?



...TAMAKI
WON'T BE
COMING
BACK.

THE
TRUTH
IS THAT
I KNOW...



HE'S
DONE
NOTHING
BUT
PROTECT
ME...

...AND IN
RETURN,
ALL I'VE
DONE IS
PUT ON
A TOUGH
ACT.



SHOVE

WHY
COULDN'T
I JUST
TELL
HIM THE
TRUTH?

IN
YOUR
DREAMS!



SO
IT'S
ONLY
NATURAL...

...THAT
HE WOULD
ABANDON ME.

TAMAKI...



SO
NOW...

...ARE
YOU
JUST
GOING
TO CRY
AND
GIVE
UP?



HUH?



SOMETHING
IMPORTANT?
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
WITH THAT
SAFE?



MARI-SAN,
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING
HERE?

SHH...



HUH?

BECAUSE
I'M
GETTING
MARRIED,
RIGHT?

WHY
DO YOU
THINK
TAMAKI
LEFT?

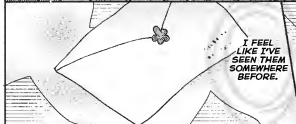


THERE'S
SOMETHING
IMPORTANT
HERE.



HERE
IS THE
REAL
REASON...

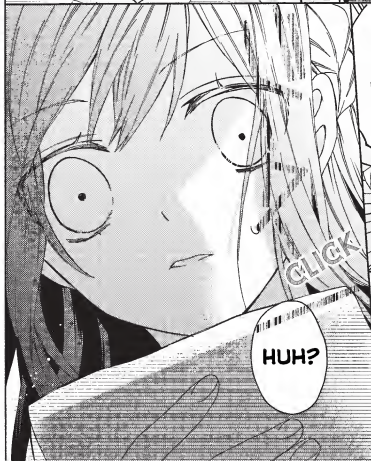
...MY
NAIVE
PRINCESS.



I FEEL
LIKE I'VE
SEEN THEM
SOMEWHERE
BEFORE.



ARE
THESE...
LETTERS?



WHAT
ARE
THEY
DOING
HERE?

THESE
ARE THE
LETTERS
I WROTE
TO THAT
BOY!



HUH?



LOOK
AT WHO
THEY'RE
ADDRESSED
TO.



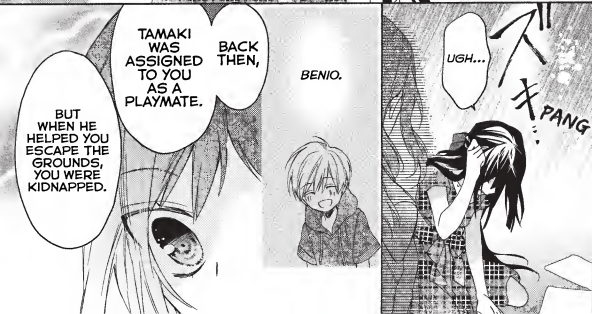
NO WAY!

HAVE YOU FINALLY REMEMBERED?

To Tamaki
From Benio

TAMAKI...

...WAS MY FIRST LOVE?



TAMAKI WAS ASSIGNED TO YOU AS A PLAYMATE.

BACK THEN,

BENIO.

BUT WHEN HE HELPED YOU ESCAPE THE GROUNDS, YOU WERE KIDNAPPED.

UGH...

PANG



...AS
TAMAKI
WORKED
TO
BECOME
STRONG
FOR
YOUR
SAKE.

...BEEN
WATCHING
ALL
ALONG...

I'VE...



SHUT
UP!

WHAT
DO
YOU
WANT?
LET US
GO!

?!



TAMAKI.



BENIO
...!*

EET!

COME
HERE,
BENIO.



CLENCH



IF
WE
DON'T,
YOU
WILL-

NO.

Well
LET'S
GET
OUT
OF
HERE.



I
REMEMBER
NOW.



MARI-
SAN,

I'VE
MADE MY
DECISION.



IN LIGHT
OF YOUR
WEDDING
AT 3 PM
TODAY...

CONGRAT-
ULATIONS
TO THE
BOTH OF
YOU.



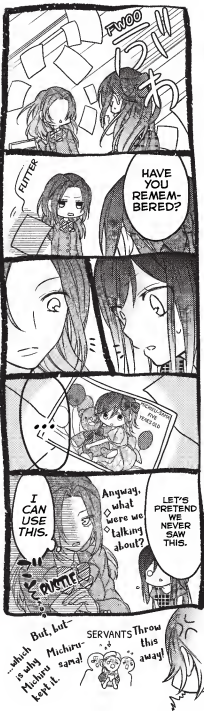
I...

WHAT
IS IT
THAT
BROUGHT
YOU TO
YOUR
DECISION
TO MARRY
MICHIRU-
SAN?

YOU
LOOK
GOOD
IN THAT
DRESS.

...WILL
MARRY...

**HANASHINO
MINI-THEATER ④**



*ABOUT THIRTY BILLION DOLLARS.



WHOA

わあ

THERE SHE IS!

DASH

ダッシュ

BENIO!

HEY! WAIT,

BAM

...TO FIGURE OUT HOW YOU REALLY FEEL.

I'M SORRY IT'S TAKEN ME SO LONG...

SHE'S GETTING AWAY!

CHASE HER DOWN!

I NEED TO LET YOU KNOW.

!!
CORNERED!!



TAMAKI.

IT
WAS
ME!

NO,
I
WAS!

I WAS
FIRST!

YOU
GUYS!

CLENCH

IF
YOU
WANT
ME, THEN
TRY AND
CATCH
ME!

FWOO

CLASP
10



WHAT
THE
HELL
DO YOU
THINK
YOU'RE
DOING?



DON'T
BE
STUPID!

TAMAKI

QUIT
BEING SO
RECKLESS!

DO
YOU
WANT
TO
DIE?

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
WHAT
YOU
SAID
ON TV.

I WAS
BETTING
...

...ON
YOUR
COMING
HERE
WHEN
YOU
SAW
THAT.



...MY
FIRST
LOVE,
WEREN'T
YOU?

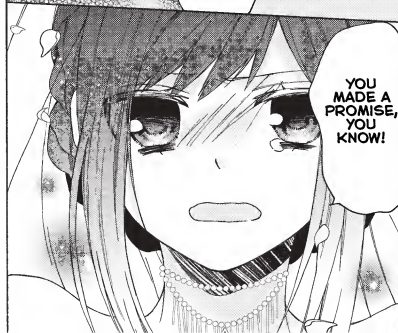
...YOU
WERE...

I'M
NOT
YOUR
NINJA
ANYMORE.

TAMAKI
...



I
REMEMBER
NOW.



YOU
MADE A
PROMISE,
YOU
KNOW!



WHY
ARE
YOU
TRYING
TO
LEAVE
ME?



IF
SO,
THEN
YOU
KNOW.

...

HAVE
YOU
REALLY
...

...REMEM-
BERED?



I WANTED
TO BE BY
YOUR SIDE
AS A NINJA
TO MAKE UP
FOR LOST
TIME...

IT WAS
MY FAULT
YOU SPENT
15 YEARS
TRAPPED
IN THAT
MANSION,
UNABLE TO
SEE THE
OUTSIDE
WORLD.

...BUT
I NEVER
DESERVED
THAT.



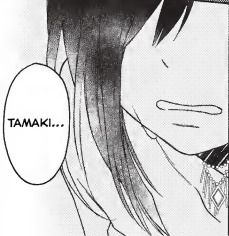
WAIT!

I'M
SORRY
...

...I
COULDN'T
KEEP MY
PROMISE.

FWISH







...I LIKE
YOU.

I LIKE
LIKE
YOU,
TAMAKI.



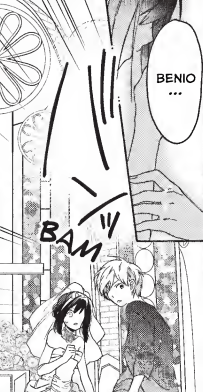
TAMAKI...

I LOVE
YOU.



...PLEASE,

DON'T
LEAVE
ME.



BENIO
...



I FINALLY
FOUND
YOU.



GET
HER!

DASH

THE
BUILDING'S
SURROUNDED.

MAY
I HAVE
MY BRIDE
BACK?

KIRINO-
MORI.

GRAB
HER

HUH?

I DON'T
THINK
I'LL
EVER BE
ABLE TO
MATCH
YOU,
BENIO.

FWISH

TCH,
HEY,
TAMAKI!
WHAT
GIVES?

WEREN'T
YOU
QUITTING
YOUR
NINJA
JOB?

**A
G
H!**

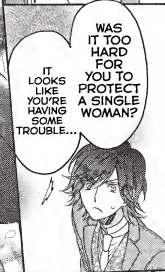
FWOO



...SO
I'LL BE
TAKING MY
MASTER
BACK.



I
SHOULD
BE
THE ONE
ASKING
YOU.



WAS
IT TOO
HARD
FOR
YOU TO
PROTECT
A SINGLE
WOMAN?

IT
LOOKS
LIKE
YOU'RE
HAVING
SOME
TROUBLE...



FIRE!

IT
JUST
MAKES
ME WANT
HER
MORE.

WHEN
YOU
TELL
ME TO
GIVE
HER
BACK,



TAMAKI...





I DIDN'T
PLAN ON
COMING
BACK...

...BUT
...

...YOU'VE
OUTWITTED
ME, MY
LADY.

IT
DOESN'T
LOOK LIKE
I CAN PULL
ONE OVER
ON YOU
ANYMORE.



IT
LOOKS
LIKE THE
SITUATION
IS
SETTLING
DOWN.

THE
YOUNG
LADY'S
FINACÉ...

I LIKE
YOU,
TOO,
BENIO.



PLEASE,
MARI-
NECHAN,
TEACH ME
NINJUTSU.

I WANT
TO
BECOME
STRONG
FOR
BENIO'S
SAKE!

...

...IS WAY
TOO OLD-
FASHIONED
FOR THIS
DAY AND
AGE.

A RULE
AGAINST
DATING
NINJAS...

**BENIO!
WHY?!**

HEHE...

WELL,
THAT'S
THE
END
OF
THAT.

OH,
WHAT
EVER
SHALL
I HAVE
THEM
DO
FOR
ME?

THOSE
TWO
OWE
ME
ONE.

RUSTLE

BLUSH

...IT'S
STILL
HARD TO
BELIEVE
YOU
HAVE A
CRUSH
ON ME,
BENIO.

ANYWAY
...

WHA?!

THAT
KISS
EARLIER
DIDN'T
COUNT,
YOU
KNOW.

YOU
PROBABLY
FELL IN LOVE
WHILE I WAS
DOING ALL
THAT COOL
STUFF TO
PROTECT
YOU,
RIGHT?

Hey,
WHEN
DID YOU
REALIZE
YOU
LIKED
ME?

I KNEW
IT.

I KNEW
I HATED
YOU!

ENLARGED

A petal got
in the way.

BUT...

I'LL
JUST
HAVE TO
PROTECT
YOUR
LIPS AS
USUAL.

HMM,
WELL, I
GUESS
THAT'S
OKAY.

REACH

...I
MIGHT
BE AFTER
A KISS
NOW,
TOO,

SO BE
CAREFUL.

BRING
IT
ON!

BR—

TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 3

Hello, Narumi Hasegaki here!

Thank you for picking up the second volume of *Hana to Shinobi*!

It's been eight chapters so far. Since there are a lot of characters in *Hana to Shinobi* of types that I haven't drawn much before, I always have trouble with them.

BENIO is the hardest one for me to get the hang of, in a good way!

I'm always thrilled to see what ridiculous thing she'll do next (laugh).

Well, the rambunctious Benio and the slick Tamaki have finally made their love known to each other after ten long years. Yay! It's a happy ending! Happily ever after!

Actually, **THE STORY WILL CONTINUE!**

I repeat **THE STORY WILL CONTINUE!**

Hana to Shinobi began as a one-off, and later was going to be only four to eight chapters long, but thankfully, it turns out

I'll be able to continue the story!

This miraculous development is thanks to the encouragement of all my wonderful readers!

Thank you so much!

I look forward to continuing to work on Benio and Tamaki!

SPECIAL THANKS TO ♥

- * The editors at Nakayoshi
- * My editor S-sama
- * My family
- * My friend A-chan

PLEASE
ENJOY THE
BONUS COMIC THAT
BEGINS ON THE
NEXT PAGE. ♥

and to all the
lovely readers of
Hana to Shinobi!



BONUS COMIC

AFTERWARD...

ANYWAY
...

MARI-
SAN
TOLD
ME.

ACK!

SO
SHE
GAVE
ME AWAY
AFTER
ALL...

CLARE

...YOU HAD
COMPLETELY
FORGOTTEN
UNTIL
NOW.

WHAT
MADE YOU
REMEMBER
ALL OF A
SUDDEN?

Benio-chan! ☆

Ten
years
later
→

チヤ
シズレ

WHY
ARE YOU
STARING
AT ME
LIKE
THAT,
BENIO?

WHY
HAVE
YOU
CHANGED
SO
MUCH?

YOU'RE
NOTHING
LIKE HOW
I THOUGHT
THAT BOY
WOULD
TURN OUT.

I JUST
CAN'T
BELIEVE
IT!

TEN
YEARS
EARLIER

...I
MEAN,
THERE'S
NOT
MUCH TO
TELL...

YOU
KNOW
THAT'S
NOT
TRUE!

What do you mean?
I'M
THE
SAME
AS I'VE
ALWAYS
BEEN.★

MMH

UH...

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU
AFTER WE
WERE
SEPARATED?!

BUT I
DON'T
KNOW IF
I CAN
KEEP
UP.

DAD
SAID
THIS
WAS
WHERE
I COULD
LEARN
TO BE A
NINJA,

WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?
I DON'T
KNOW
ANY OF
THESE
KIDS.

AND
BECAUSE
OF WHAT
I DID...

WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?
I'M
SO
SCARED.

...I DON'T
KNOW
IF I'LL
EVER
SEE
BENIO
AGAIN.

IT'S A
MOPEY
KID.

OH!
GROSS!

YOU CAN'T
JUST
COWER
THERE
FOREVER!

B-
BUT...

...EVERY-
ONE'S
WATCHING...

ARE
YOU
NEW
HERE?

HUH?

COME
ON,
FACE
ME.

UM...

He's cute.
Yeah.

UGH

IT'S
ABOUT
BLENDING
IN TO YOUR
ENVIRONMENT.

BEING
A NINJA
ISN'T
JUST
ABOUT
HIDING.

LET
ME
GIVE
YOU A
TIP.



IF YOU WANT TO BE A NINJA, TRY PLAYING A CHARACTER THAT BETTER SUITS YOUR APPEARANCE.

YOU'RE GOOD-LOOKING, BUT YOU'RE SO TIMID...

...THAT YOU DRAW EVERYONE'S ATTENTION.



I GUESS IT WAS BETTER THANKS TO MARI...

HUH?!

WHAT DID MARI-SAN DO?

COME ON, TELL ME!



Y-YES, MA'AM!

IF YOU GET IT, THEN ANSWER ME!

I'LL MAKE YOU A NINJA YET.

The name's Mari.

I-I'm Tamaki.





TH-
THAT'S
NOT
IT.

I...

I...

...LIKE
THE
OLD
YOU...

...AND
THE
NEW
YOU
JUST
THE
SAME.



HE'LL
DEFINITELY
MAKE FUN
OF ME
FOR SAYING
SOMETHING
LIKE
THAT!

Psh,
what
are you
talking
about?

GAAAAAAAH!



...



か
あ
あ
BLUSH

...

I—
I MEAN,
YOU'RE
THE ONE
SAYING
WEIRD
THINGS,
BENIO.

WHY
ARE YOU
BLUSHING?
NOW
I'M
EMBAR-
RASSED,
TOO!

BONUS COMIC. *FIN*

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